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Mr. Alex Holtzman  
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Dear Alex:

I sent Wakeham's letter to SCIENCE around to Drs. Waite and Kastenbaum and Bill Kloepfer for comment.

Attached are two memos from the doctors. Kloepfer had no comment to make regarding word changes, his main reaction being negative to any response to the Gori article.

My own feeling as I believe I expressed over the phone is similar to Kloepfer's. What exactly does Wakeham intend to accomplish? Do other scientific directors feel the same way? Is there a record of criticism within the TWG of which Wakeham is a member? The only worthwhile bone of contention that I see is in the relevance of the actual numbers of the critical values. While it may be necessary for companies to go on the record disclaiming the premise of Gori's work (i.e. cigarette smoke causes disease) that position must seem to have little public credibility and contradictory to the impression people are receiving from present cigarette advertising and promotion.

Call me if you would like to pursue this matter further.

Sincerely,

  
FRED PANZER

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